

Muskogee Cimeter.

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NEW STATE NEWS

A wealthy New Yorker has his dog kennels at Ponca City. The keeper is paid \$1,500 a year.

Oklahoma City will vote this fall on a \$375,000 water works and sewer bond proposition.

The new building of the Central normal school was dedicated at Edmond last week.

A roller skating rink has been opened at Shawnee.

The Hon. Albert Renn'er of Paul's Valley has been appointed as assistant United States attorney for the southern district, with headquarters at Paul's Valley.

Cleveland is fast becoming a great oil field. During the past week three new wells were reported. There is also a good flow of gas from all the wells, one putting forth 2,000,000 cubic feet per day.

The Chandler cotton mill steamed up last week to try its machinery and to run out what seed there was on hand, some of which was green and likely to heat and spoil.

Altus boasts that she led New York city itself in the price of cotton a week ago. Between 500 and 600 bales have been glued at this Greer county town since the season opened.

Nearly all the railroad bridges across the Canadian river in Indian Territory were either washed away entirely or were damaged so they were not considered safe. Railroad traffic from Texas to the north was abandoned for two days.

W. A. Swaeker, an aged farmer living near Red Rock, is reported to have been choked to death by a cracker. He was driving home from town, where he had purchased some crackers. He opened the sack and began to eat one, a portion of which lodged in his windpipe, and he died in less than two minutes.

During the quarter ending September 30 the territorial secretary's office received in fees for filing various articles \$2,029.50, and for licenses \$672.50. Deducting the quarterly allowance for the secretary, clerk hire, etc., it leaves a balance of \$1,952 to the treasury.

The Pottawatomie county grand jury, which has been in session about half of the last four weeks, has thus far returned more than 200 indictments, most of them against Shawnee people for minor offenses, including many violators of the gaming and liquor laws.

A party from the Creek enrolling department of the Dawes commission is in Muskogee, to remain two weeks, to secure additional evidence relative to a number of applications for enrolling on the Creek list.

Captain Thomas Q. Donaldson, United States army inspector, makes a most flattering report of the Oklahoma signal corps. He speaks of the work of the corps in the most complimentary terms.

C. W. Rambo, territorial treasurer of Oklahoma, has issued his monthly report, which shows that the territory has on deposit to its credit \$557,441.50. The amount received from all sources during the last month was \$57,328.85. This is a considerable increase over the report of last month.

BOYS AND GIRLS

Remorse.

I killed a robin. The little thing, With scarlet breast on a glossy wing, That comes in the apple tree to sing.

I flung a stone as he twittered there; I only meant to give him a scare, But off it went—and hit him square.

A little flutter—a little cry— Then on the ground I saw him lie; I didn't think he was going to die.

But as I watched him I soon could see He never would sing for you or me Any more in the apple tree.

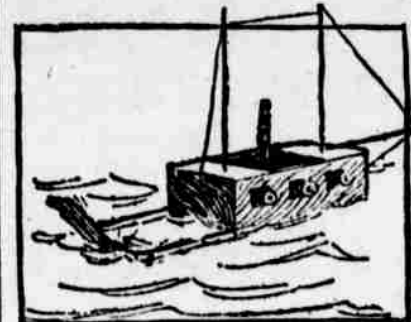
Never more in the sunshine light, Never more in the sunshine bright, Trilling his song in gay delight.

And I'm thinking every summer day, How never, never can I repay The little life that I took away. —Sidney Dayre in Youth's Companion.

Cigar Box for a Boat.

A practical vessel, capable of forging through the water a distance of five or six yards after each winding, can be made of a cigar box, the rib of an old umbrella, a rubber band, a candle and a little cord. After these articles have been used in the construction of the boat itself, many additions, such as deck-houses and donkey engines, can be affixed by a lad who is handy with his penknife.

The first thing to be done is to secure a good, strong cigar box and to rip away its lid. Cut two pieces of pasteboard, each the width of the box by one-third of its length, and tack these across the front and back of the opening. This makes a fore and after deck. With a hatchet chop from an umbrella rib two masts a foot long,



Cigar Box Boat.

pushing one through the fore and one through the after deck, and pounding both firmly into the bottom of the cigar box. Take what remains of the umbrella rib, say three inches; lay half of it along the middle of the fore deck, allowing the other half to project; secure it to the pasteboard with sealing wax, and the bowsprit is in position.

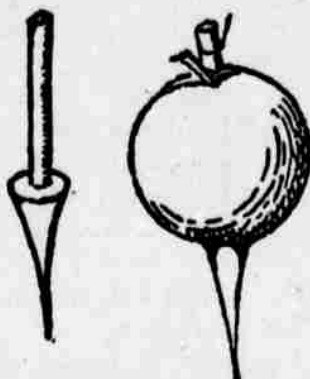
Now the cigar box commences to resemble a ship, and it is time to begin the propeller. For this purpose cut from the cover two strips of wood an inch broad and tack these to the sides of the box just at the bottom, so that five inches stick out at each side of the back of the box. The position of the strips to the box is the position of shafts to a wagon, except that they are behind instead of in front. They must be tacked very strongly. When this is done run a stout rubber band from the end of one shaft to the end of the other. Cut out of what is left of the cigar box top a paddle four inches long and an inch and a half wide, and the motive power of the boat is ready. You have only to push the paddle between the sides of the rubber band, midway between the shafts, and turn it round from left to right until the rubber is twisted tight. When you let go of the paddle it will turn rapidly until the elastic is untwisted, and if the boat is in the

water the turning will send it ahead. The stronger this apparatus and the tighter the rubber is twisted the farther the boat will go.

What remains to be done is only to make the box water-tight and to increase its likeness to a ship. The first task can be accomplished by calking the cracks inside the box and the holes made by the masts with putty or gum. If neither is handy, light a candle and let the tallow drip into the proper places. Run a string from the mainmast to the foremast, and from the foremast to the bowsprit for rigging, and glue a tiny flag to the top of each. Cut portholes along the side of the boat, or paint them there with ink. A spool can be made to look like a donkey engine, a tiny box will serve as a cabin, and the vessel is ready.

Fun Fishing for Apples.

A great many places about the country have no water where fish may be



The Apple Fishhook.

found, and boys and girls living near them have little or no opportunity to fish. Those very places, though, are apt to have apple orchards, and fishing for apples may furnish a new amusement.

Beginning in August, there are generally a lot of poor apples fallen from the trees, which lie about on the ground underneath them. They are known as "windfalls." Gather a lot of them and put them on the ground inside a barrel hoop. Now, for a hook get a stick about six inches long, as shown in the picture. Point it at one end and make the other not over half an inch round. Push a good hard apple on this round part and fasten a cord to the part of the stick sticking through it. Any long stick will do for a fishing pole, but the cord must not be shorter than four feet.

Those who want to fish may gather around the apple pile and with pole and hook properly prepared should begin together. To catch an apple the pointed stick must be poised above it and then dropped suddenly. If the aim is true the apple will stick upon the point and may be drawn from the pile.

There should be no interference with each other unless the last apple is being fished for. But at no time when fishing must the bait or hook be touched.

A large stone placed in the pile



Catching an Apple Fish.

will spoil more than one point, and the time taken in sharpening it will be lost to that fisherman.

Pickup for Waitress.

An honest Rockland (Me.) waitress received a reward of \$50 for returning the rings which an actress had carelessly left on a wash stand.

Calumet

Baking Powder

A wonderful powder of rare merit and unrivaled strength.

Selects Wife's Toilet.

It is a common thing in Paris for a man to accompany his wife to the dressmaker's. The young wife who has known no gayer attire than the coming-out gown of the *jesire fille* needs careful advice as to her toilets, and her husband, if he be a certain type of man of the world, knows how to give it.

London's "Little Italy."

Reporting upon the "Little Italy" of one of London's most crowded districts, the health officer of the district says that the Italians are "generally superior" to the English persons who are their neighbors. They also take more care of their children, among whom the death rate is low, and they are sober.

Bee a Night Worker.

A bee that works only at night is found in the jungles of India. It is an unusually large insect, the combs being often six feet long, four feet wide and from four to six inches thick.

Wealth of the Rothschilds.

Meyer Anselm Rothschild, founder of the great house of that name, died in 1812. To-day the thirty millions of Rothschilds are worth more than \$600,000,000.

Cure to Stay Cured.

Wapello, Iowa, Oct. 10 (Special)—One of the most remarkable cures ever recorded in Louisa County is that of Mrs. Minnie Hart of this place. Mrs. Hart was in bed for eight months and when she was able to sit up she was all drawn up on one side and could not walk across the room. Dodd's Kidney Pills cured her. Speaking of her cure Mrs. Hart says:

"Yes, Dodd's Kidney Pills cured me after I was in bed for eight months and I know the cure was complete for that was three years ago and I have not been down since. In four weeks from the time I started taking them I was able to make my garden. Nobody can know how thankful I am to be cured or how much I feel I owe to Dodd's Kidney Pills."

This case again points out how much the general health depends on the kidneys. Cure the kidneys with Dodd's Kidney Pills and nine-tenths of the suffering the human family is heir to, will disappear.

Matches that are made in heaven have nothing to do with the misfit alliances between poverty-stricken foreigners and silly American heiresses.—Chicago News.

Every housekeeper should know that if they will buy Defiance Cold Water Starch for laundry use they will save not only time, because it never sticks to the iron, but because each package contains 16 oz.—one full pound—while all other Cold Water Starches are put up in ½-pound packages, and the price is the same, 10 cents. Then again because Defiance Starch is free from all injurious chemicals. If your grocer tries to sell you a 12-oz. package it is because he has a stock on hand which he wishes to dispose of before he puts in Defiance. He knows that Defiance Starch has printed on every package in large letters and figures "16 ozs." Demand Defiance and save much time and money and the annoyance of the iron sticking. Defiance never sticks.